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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 11, 2011, finally rejecting claims 1, 4-11 and 14-20, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: